people and animals in her community was both extraordinary and inspirational. Elizabeth selflessly gave her time and energy to her community through her intense love of all living creatures, and was a woman of unquestioned integrity and of unparalleled morality. She will be sorely missed by each and every person whose life she touched, and as her family mourns her loss, I believe it is appropriate to remember Elizabeth and pay tribute to her for her incredible contributions to her city, and her state.

Elizabeth and her husband John first came to Colorado's San Luis Valley in 1995 after riding on the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad. They decided to make the beautiful valley their home, and immediately embarked upon a mission to make it a better place for all to live—even the animals. After arriving in the San Luis Valley, Elizabeth served as the President of the Humane League, dedicating her time to organizing fundraisers for spay and neuter clinics and finding homes for stray cats and dogs. She had a strong conviction that the best way to help the plight of animals in the community was to control the population by spaying and neutering. Her efforts were critical in procuring funds from the Max Fund to assist with low-cost spay/neuter clinics in the community. In addition, she loved the outdoors, and had climbed most of Colorado's highest peaks, inspiring her husband to take up the sport as well. Elizabeth's extraordinary selflessness and dedication to all living things will be sorely missed by everyone that knew her, and by all that benefited from her incredible deeds.

Mr. Speaker, we are all terribly saddened by the loss of Elizabeth Moore, but take comfort in the knowledge that our grief is overshadowed only by the legacy of courage, self-lessness and love that she left with all of us. Elizabeth Moore's life is the very embodiment of all that makes this country great, and I am deeply honored to be able to bring her life to the attention of this body of Congress.

HONORING THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT WOMEN'S BASKET-BALL TEAM ON A PERFECT SEA-SON AND A NATIONAL TITLE

## HON. NANCY L. JOHNSON

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Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the outstanding accomplishments of the University of Connecticut Women's Basketball Team, who on Sunday March 31st defeated the Oklahoma Sooners to win the NCAA tournament. They finished the season with a perfect record of 39–0.

I would like to offer special congratulations to Head Coach Geno Auriemma who won his third national title, and to Seniors Sue Bird, Swin Cash, Asjha Jones, and Tamika Williams who have had a most remarkable four years.

Mr. Speaker, these extraordinary young women do not need me to tell them that they are champions, or that their accomplishments are appreciated. Surely all the sold-out games, the sea of blue and white that filled the Alamo dome during the Final Four and the 150,000 fans who turned out for the team's victory parade made that clear.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to point out that although they are young adults themselves the outstanding achievements of the this team offers a fine example to our nation's young people. I applaud them for all of their achievements both on and off the court.

IN RECOGNITION OF HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

## HON. E. CLAY SHAW, JR.

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. SHAW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Yom Ha Shoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day. We recall now not only the more than six million Jews who lost their lives, but the human potential that was also extinguished during the dark days of World War II. We remember not just the mothers and fathers, the sons and daughters, the brothers and sisters, but also their descendents who never got to make their contributions to mankind. And we remember the heroes who gave their lives in the greatest fight for freedom and democracy the modern world has ever known.

By pausing today, we join in a solemn bond with the victims of the Holocaust to ensure that the world will never suffer such a horrific tragedy again. It is through our reflection that we acknowledge our loss and through our actions that we build a world free of such hatred and despair. Our greatest tribute to the millions who suffered at the hands of the Nazis will be to ensure that their memory will never be extinguished. By recognizing Holocaust Remembrance Day, we do just that by educating today's and future generations.

Yet the fires of hate, which burned so brightly in Europe from 1939 through 1945, never really burned out. They were smoldering in the hearts of the terrorists who flew their planes into the Twin Towers, the Pentagon and into the ground of rural Pennsylvania on September 11th. And those same fires are ablaze even today, in actions of the suicide bombers on the West Bank and in Gaza. We pray, Mr. Speaker, for a soothing rain to extinguish forever the fires of hatred.

With these examples fresh in our minds, we marvel at the strength and character of the Jewish people. Their steadfast determination to rebuild their lives following the Holocaust has given the world a remarkable model of resolve. Through their example, we can glimpse the extraordinary human spirit that rises above the fruitlessness of anger and resentment. With this day and with our deeds we honor that spirit. Mr. Speaker, we observe Yom Ha Shoah to always remember and never forget. I am proud to recognize Yom Ha Shoah and I urge my colleagues, and all Americans, to do the same.

TRIBUTE TO JULIE ROCHE ON HER U.S. CITIZENSHIP

## HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Julie Roche, a dedicated

member of the community and of my campaign staff for officially becoming an American citizen on February 22, 2002.

Julie graduated from the University of California in San Diego in 1992 with a degree in political Science and lived for 6 years in Washington, DC, before settling in Colorado, which is now her permanent home. Though Julie has lived in the United States for almost her entire life, she had retained her Irish citizenship until earlier this year. Giving up her Irish citizenship was a hard decision to make. Like most Americans who have come from abroad, Julie is very proud of her heritage. However, her dedication to public service, her interest in politics and her love for the United States persuaded her to make the choice.

While she is a new citizen, Julie is not a newcomer to our country or our democratic system of government. In addition to working for both my colleague. Representative DIANA DEGETTE, and for me, Julie also works for the Colorado Democratic Party. She has decided-rightly-that American citizenship would allow her to even more fully participate in public affairs and to work for the betterment of what is now fully our common country. In her free time, Julie plays on a soccer team in Denver, runs marathons and is a volunteer for the Colorado Red Cross, where she is on call one week of every month and helps victims of disaster. She is a shining example of the spirit and promise of American democracy and the diversity that makes our country so special.

On behalf of her fellow citizens of Colorado and the United States, I congratulate Julie on her becoming an American citizen.

A TRIBUTE TO SERGEANT MIKE HUMPHREY, NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL

## HON. MIKE McINTYRE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Mr. McINTYRE. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today and honor Sergeant Mike Humphrey of the North Carolina Highway Patrol. On March 31, 2002, Sergeant Humphrey retired after serving the people of North Carolina for over twenty-eight years.

Mike Humphrey was a decorated officer, who spent his career ensuring that the people and the roads of North Carolina were safe. In 1977, Sergeant Humphrey was honored with the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award. In addition, Sergeant Humphrey serves on the North Carolina Seventh Congressional District Law Enforcement Advisory Committee, where he is a positive voice for the law enforcement community. Protecting lives and patrolling our communities were not only the passion of Sergeant Humphrey, but also that of his father. The Humphreys were the first father and son to serve simultaneously in the history of the North Carolina Highway Patrol.

We owe Sergeant Mike Humphrey our sincere appreciation for his twenty-eight years of committed service to our state. His determination, devotion, and dedication to the people of North Carolina should serve as an example to us all. May God bless him and his family, and may God bless the great state of North Carolina